

State Safety Council Meeting January 23, 2003

Members Present: Ken Frazier, Bob Ponder, Dale Brown, Doug VanDevander, Greg Chatham, Steven Williams, Danny Bryant, Andy Taylor, Jim Edwards and Richard Tice

Members Absent: Jim Sledge and Greg Bourgue
Robbie Gill – Resigned from Council

The State Safety Council meeting was called to order at 10:30 a.m. on January 23, 2003 at Roosevelt State Park.

Minutes of the October 2000 meeting were handed out and read. No corrections were made.

Old Business: **Grease Racks** – Copies of plan and materials were distributed. The plans are attached as part of these minutes.

Safety Manual – The use of blocks and cable need to become part of the new safety manual.

New Business: **Andy Taylor** – Questioned if there are any revisions that need to be made before reprinting of Safety Manual. A deadline of January 31, 2003 was set to get these revisions to Andy Taylor.

Discussed mixture for backfire fuel and the use of safety manual guidelines. Torches need to be cool when filling.

Have had complaints concerning our driving, speeding and not using turn signals.

Dale Brown – Reported that our Humvees need to be inspected and a course on their maintenance be taught to field personnel. The Southwest District experienced a wheel falling off one of theirs during slow operation.

Jim Edwards – Requested signs for control burning. Policy is up to the District to establish and purchase if needed.

Discussed drug and alcohol policy regarding the safety issue of fellow workers and drivers. Ken Frazier had copies of some other agencies policies and civilian policies. Will look these over and see what fits our situation.

Other items discussed included use of safety manual for safety meetings, information on Navistar Humvee use, ramps and securing of four-wheelers.

Andy Taylor handed out accident summary report and discussed each one with the group.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

The next meeting will be April 3, 2003 at the small classroom behind the main lodge at Roosevelt State Park at 10:30 a.m.